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BORBA February 19 reported Anna Louise Strong arrest in attack on Radio Praha version of incident which held Strong author of articles published in BORBA had been arrested in Moscow for espionage (Moscow's 430, February 21). BORBA pointed out Strong wrote for many papers on Cominform countries including PRAVDA. Soviet Information Bureau furnished BORBA Strong manuscript March 31, 1948 for publication here. BORBA concludes hypocritically servile Radio Praha thus used occasion to besmear Yugoslavia.

Following passage especially noteworthy re Soviet and orbit relations with Chinese: "let us leave aside question what reasons forced demo papers to publish things by A. L. Strong on China. May be they would not have had to do so had possibility been given them to send their correspondents through Manchuria into free territory of China." Text pouched.

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